

An essential part of 'successor BAFF', which will take the form of an Unincorporated Association, is a new Constitution.

A draft of the new Constitution is now available for logged-in users (including for the time being lapsed members and BAFF Military Supporters) to see and comment.

The new Constitution will effectively replace the Memorandum of Association of the current BAFF (2006) Ltd, which is available for download [HERE](#),

Members will see that certain sections of the old Constitution have been carried over into the new one.

The reasons for this are firstly, that in drawing up the Constitution the BAFF Steering Group took advice from Senior Counsel as to how to ensure that the organisation's representation of its members serving in the armed forces would be legal. At the time there had been dark accusations from some vested interests, before seeing our proposals, that representation would amount to 'mutiny',

Secondly, having obtained senior counsel's and solicitor's advice, the Constitution was drawn up online in consultation with 50 members of the 'Army Rumour Service' website, who were all currently serving or former members of the UK armed forces. We think it's important not to lose that work if BAFF is to continue at any level.

This note is public. Login is required to see and, if desired, comment on the current draft which will be posted by Doug Young.